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Philatelic Gunman Perils Gotham Dealers

If New York's stamp dealers have that hunted look in their eyes when you pay them a visit, don't attribute it to the high prices at auction, or to the shortage of ten cent Famous Americans. A gun-man who numbers kidnapping among his accomplishments is specializing in stamp dealers in New York, and the stamp merchants don't know who is next.

The uptown section first received a visit from the enterprising robber when he entered the offices of Joseph C. Martin on 42nd street, pulled out his revolver, and ordered Martin to empty his stockheads of all the gems in sight. Twentieth century commemorative blocks complete, Zeppelin blocks, plus other philatelic merchandise totaling in excess of \$5,000 comprised the loot, plus several hundred dollars in cash.

In the course of the hold-up, a lady client entered the office, and the hold-up man took her along as hostage, warning Martin that if he called the police before the lady's return, she would be harmed. Some half hour later the woman was released as the hold-up man boarded a Jersey-bound bus. By then the man was out of New York and local police were powerless.

The hold-up man's next appearance was in New York's downtown stamp section, Nassau street. Entering the building at 116 Nassau which houses more stamp dealers than any other building in the world, the bandit, whose description had been broadcast to all stamp dealers, made his way to a well-known dealer on an upper floor, who, recognized him, had the foresight to swing the safe door shut and turn the combination. A message was gotten out to the police, who responded immediately, surrounding the building, and inspecting everyone leaving it, but the robber made good his escape and was not apprehended.

All of Gotham's stamp dealers are on edge, expecting a visit from the young stockily built gunman, and a few of the more skittish gentlemen have adopted the custom of locking their doors, opening them only to known clients, a custom long followed in New York by dealers in rare stones, rare furs, etc.

Meanwhile a few dealers to whom "insurance" was only a word in the dictionary have investigated the protection offered by this quaint custom. Meanwhile, all of New York's dealers, insured and uninsured alike, await each caller to their offices with trepidation.

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Attention Gangbusters; Stamp Dealer Robbed By Philatelic Gunman

The OFFICE OF JOSEPH C. MARTIN, (MARTIN STAMP CO.) 233 W. 42nd St., New York 18, New York was held up and robbed at point of gun Thursday evening Nov. 8, at 6:30 P. M. Loss approximately \$5000 in stamps and \$190 in cash. All stamps stolen were United States issues consisting of a collection in National Album (2 vols.) and 3 stock books (Elbe).

Collection included Omaha & Columbia on issues complete fine. Pan-American to 1940 complete in blocks of 4. Also Kans. Nebr. in blocks of 4. #547 block of 8 (2 pl. #s & arrow). C3 Pl. #Block of 12. Zeppelin issue in blocks of 4.

Stock books contained #1 famous Americans and Flags in singles and blocks. #2 Farleys, miniature sheets and other stamps. #3 U.S. 19th including many rare cancellations such as "x bones & skull."

Robber: About 21-22, Weight 140-150 lbs., dark hair, dark complexion, pasty face, height 5' 10-11", slow spoken, low voice, apparently hard of hearing, wore brown top coat.

Robber on premises more than one hour, forced woman customer to accompany him to Public Service Bus Terminal, 42nd St. & 8th Ave. where he departed on Bus bound for Hoboken.

If the above stamps are offered for sale, notify Mr. Martin.

LAST CALL FOR CLEVELAND

The annual fall Open House meeting of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club is scheduled for Friday evening, November 23, at the Hotel Hollenden. This as usual will be a big program well worth attending by all who can make the meet. On the two following days the Annual American Philatelic Congress meet will be in session at the Hotel Carter. We printed a list of the papers to be read some weeks ago. The exhibit will be by the authors of the various papers who will show material associated with their papers.

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That the issue of an Al Smith stamp does not meet with the approval of the public, if we can judge by comments we have read as well as by clippings that have come to our office from all parts of the country.

Both newspaper editors and newspaper columnists have taken shots at this new stamp and it appears to be a bad egg that Mr. Hannegan has laid.

So You Want To Invest In Stamps

A new book by the above title and written by C. E. Milbury, is offered in an advertisement in this issue by the publishers, the Hobson Press.

In effect, its title is a question. It is a question that needs a sound answer for anyone who wants to invest in stamps either in the form of a collection or by the sheet as has become a common practice.

The thoroughly experienced philatelist should know most of the answers that can be found in this book, yet even he will find it of immense interest and of great help. For the amateur collector or the inexperienced philatelic investor, this book points out the footfalls which it is necessary to avoid if you want to invest in stamps.

While we have not as yet completed the reading of this new book, we have gone through several pages and find it best of all books of this type that we have yet had the privilege to examine.

Mr. Milbury is an experienced philatelist and the fruits of his knowledge are yours at your desire. The book of over 100 pages, bound in cloth, is postpaid for \$2.00 from the publishers, The Hobson Book Press, 52 Vanderbilt Ave., New York, 17, N. Y.

Chicago Stamp Show November 23, 24, 25

A stamp show especially set up for boys and girls in Chicago is to be held under the sponsorship of the Fifth Ward Forum in Chicago, November 23, 24 and 25.

The show will be in the quarters of the Forum at 5497 Lake Park Avenue, second floor.

Details may be had by addressing the Forum and collections of boys and girls will be on display and compete for prizes. There will also be door prizes for those who attend the show which will be open every day and evening.

Several of the leading collectors of Chicago will act as judges; including Alfred Diamond, Ben Reeves, Anthony C. Russo, Elmer Stuart and Leonard Katz.

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AUCTION IN PHILADELPHIA

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Address of the Hon. Joseph J. Lawler, third assistant postmaster general, at the ceremonies held in front of the United States sub-treasury building, New York, on Saturday, November 10, 1945, on the occasion of the first-day sale of the coast guard commemorative postage stamp.

We are here today to do honor to the United States Coast Guard—the Nation's oldest continuous military force. In August of this year, the Coast Guard completed 155 years' service on the seas during nearly all of our national history. We are issuing a commemorative postage stamp as a tribute of a grateful nation to the outstanding achievements of the men and women comprising the Coast Guard in World War II. It is fitting that the first-day sale of this stamp should take place here at the Sub-Treasury Building, for it was at this location that Alexander Hamilton, first Secretary of the Treasury advocated the creation of this Service.

Roosevelt Collection Will Be Auctioned By H. R. Harmer, Inc.

The most famous stamp collection in the world, the personal collection of the late Franklin Delano Roosevelt, was delivered Thursday, November 15th, to H. R. Harmer, Inc., international stamp auctioneers, to be sold at public auction.

The collection, which consists of 150 albums collected by the late president during his lifetime, contains notes in the most famous philatelist's own handwriting.

Armored truck picked up the collection at 12:00 p. m. Thursday and brought it from Hyde Park to the New York offices of H. R. Harmer, Inc., 32 East 57th street, where it will be catalogued and prepared for exhibition and public auction.

Mr. Henry T. Hackett, one of the executors and trustees of the estate, and Mr. Earl R. Koons, attorney for the estate, handed over the valuable collection. Mr. William Plog, for 45 years caretaker, gardener, and a favorite of the late president, witnessed the transfer.

No plans have been made for public exhibitions and no date set for the auction, according to Mr. Bernard Harmer, who received the famous collection for his company.

Coast Guard Stamp Prqm. Helps Launch New Book

First-day ceremonies in New York City on November 10, for the U. S. coast guard commemorative stamp took on something of a dual nature with the launching of a new coast guard book at the same time. The book is Sea, Surf and Hell, a collection of coast guard war stories edited by Commander Arch A. Mercey and Chief Specialist Lee Grove.

Albert Goldman, postmaster of New York City, presided at the program, attended by the postmaster general, Robert E. Hannegan, various coast guard flag officers and other distinguished guests.

The three-cent stamp which depicts an invasion barge heading for the beach with an assault transport in the background was designed by Ken Riley, coast guard combat artist.

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—William

CHILE—Commemorative. A 40c., green, stamp has been issued by Chile to mark the Columbus Lighthouse in the Dominican Republic, a tribute of the American Continent to Christopher Columbus.

CUBA—Two new stamps have been reported. The first is the awaited special delivery, featuring a letter with "Entrega Especial" in the address portion, the 10c. value where the stamp



would normally be, and in the corners of the background a plane, boat, train and motorcycle. The stamp was printed in brown. (see illustration) An 8c. postage stamp of the Agramonte type, perforated 10 was also issued.

—Gimbel's Stamp Dept.
ECUADOR—Surcharge. A "Veinte Centavos" surcharge in black was applied to the 10c Quito Government Palace type.

EGYPT—Postage. Two new values are the 4m., green, of the King Farouk type portrait stamp, and also a 30m., slate-green, of the Farouk and pyramids type.

—Wm. J. Schimpf
FRENCH EQUATORIAL AFRICA
—Three new issues have been issued. The first is a long postage series, showing two native soldiers, with the Cross of Lorraine and "RE" in the upper left corner, the values being: 10c., 30c., 40c., 50c., 70c., 80c., 1fr., 1fr. 20, 1fr. 50, 2fr., 2fr. 40, 3fr., 4fr., 4fr. 50, 5fr., 10fr. 15fr., and 20fr. The second issue consists of the 2fr. plus 3fr., red, "Stamp Day" commemorative portraying Louis XI, overprinted "A. O. F." in black. Finally, in the "France Libre" air mail type, there are three high-value additions—the 5fr. 50, 50fr. and 100fr.

FRENCH MOROCCO—Two new stamps have been released. The first is a 2fr., plus 3fr., blue, marking the "Solidarity" and featuring the mausoleum of Marshal Lyautey with crossed flags, and the year "1945" in the upper left. The second is a 50fr., black-brown, air mail, showing a plane flying low over a town.

—L. Monosson
FRANCE—Commemorative. For Stamp Day, a single 2fr. plus 3fr., dark blue, semi-postal has been issued. The adhesive pictures Louis XI, who is credited



with creating the State Post, and has, in the right background, a courier delivering the mail.

GREECE—Commemorative. The set of two stamps marking the Greek resistance to the Italians was issued on October 28. The values are 20d., orange-brown, and 40d., blue, showing a single pillar against a sky background with the Greek flag floating in front. The commemorative inscription appears in the lower

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ITALY—Postage. A Cyclist Corps issue has been noted. The Minister of Communications, to meet a postal need in Northern Italy where all normal means of transportation have collapsed, authorized an all-bicycle service between Turin and Trieste, via Milan and Venice. The stamp shows a bicycle mailman against a map of Italy. Values are 14L., red; 28L., green; 56L., mauve; 70L., brown, and 140L., blue.
—Gibel's Stamp Dept.



BY KENNETH M. GIERHART
Baltimore, Ohio

Iran, Texas.
From R. E. Simon, stamp dealer, we get this glimpse of a deep Texas town. Mr. Simon did not say why the name but as we read through his description we note oil mentioned and oil means Iran. Maybe not spelled that way, but its close enough. Iran is strictly an oil town and only about 20 years old. Its located just west of the Pecos river in Pecos county. To Texans that locates it definitely, but to me I must get out a map. A collection of sun baked and dried out buildings ready to die with the oil field, but since it is in one of the richest and strongest fields in the U. S. that's not likely to happen for some time to come. Several mammoth wells have been struck here and are still producing. A high type of oil is found here too, I believe that Mr. Simon calls it "ripe." To you oil men is that right? Besides oil, Iran is at least a provision port for sheep raisers, who seem to thrive too. One can only imagine

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Notes
Ralston Lyon, I understand, is out of the service and back at his home. His help to precancel editors in getting the latest authorizations on new bureaus and new towns has always been greatly appreciated by the fraternity and was very ably carried on by his wife during his absence. Mr. Lyon lives at 217 Rittenhouse St., N.W. Washington, D. C., and is a great exponent of the dated precancel.—The November issue of the Buckeye was mailed from Frazesburg, Ohio.—Hoover Bros. last auction list was mailed from Boston with a 1c Defense.—A couple nice dateds both from Ft. Worth in U-17N. 2c Offense dated, MW Dec. 43, and 11c President MW, Dec. 40, double one normal one inverted.

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While of no considerable value as a stamp, the envelope corner illustrated herewith is a most fascinating piece for any stamp collector.

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For some time during the period when this envelope was in use and for quite a few years later, business firms were in the habit of printing their name and address and other matter in the upper right corner of their envelopes and placing the postage stamp inside this matter. In this instance we find that Mr. N. F. Seebach had made a cut from which he had stamped envelopes so imprinted.

Thus we have an early type of corner card advertising which is unusual to say the least and an example of a form of corner card that has since been prohibited by postal rules. Yet, even at this late date we occasionally see envelopes that are prepared in this manner.

Another point of interest concerning this particular item is the Seebach name. This name has been a bogey man to young collectors throughout the world since in the 90's during which period this man Seebach, who, prior to that time, had been a stamp dealer, did contract with Nicaragua, Salvador, Honduras and Ecuador for supplying those countries with new stamps each year for a period of time and holding the right to the plates, from which reprints were later made.

Thus, although these Seebach issues came from only the four countries named above and came only during years in the 90's and not each year during that period, from all of the countries, young and inexperienced collectors have had the habit of looking with distrust on practically all South and Central American issues of past years.

These Seebach issues which were actually delivered to the various governments and used in the countries concerned are quite scarce items and of as much value and interest as stamps of any other country or issue. An understanding of these issues gives one an added appreciation of their interest and value and makes forming a collection of the actually issued items a very fascinating hobby.

The circular advertising card around the envelope corner as pictured is printed in red ink, the letters showing in the color of the envelope paper.

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Mr. Billig does not waste space in stating his opinions or his beliefs. The copy is wholly in the form of tables or in catalog form and the information in this column is so diversified that everyone can find material of interest.

Several pages are given over to a catalog of the plate varieties of the 2c Columbian stamp, also a catalog arrangement on cancellations on this stamp. Large illustrations are used to point out the positions of the varieties listed. This is all based on the collection of Mr. Walter C. Brink, of Genesee Depot, Wisconsin, who has, we believe the largest collection of this stamp in the world. This single article will fascinate anyone who wants to hunt for varieties in this stamp and shows clearly to what extent one might go in studying a single stamp.

There are several pages on Private Perforated U. S. Coils which give one a better understanding of these issues and the values of these stamps than can be had from any other source.

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A CRIME AGAINST PHILATELY

Word came to hand on November 15th that the famous stamp collection of the late President Roosevelt is to be sold at public auction by H. R. Harmer, Inc., of New York City. The story as given out to the press will be found on the first page of this paper. Since the death of President Roosevelt there has been much discussion in Philatelic circles concerning the disposition of this collection. What right one else had to discuss such a matter may not appear to those unfamiliar with what may be found in this collection and the source of much of such material. Experienced philatelists know that this collection, probably more than any other in the world is loaded with Philatelic "TNT". We might coin a new word since the launching of the atomic bomb and call this a "PHILATOMIC" collection, for it is filled with unknown items, many of which have never been seen by the philatelic public. For that part of the collection which President Roosevelt acquired in the usual manner through which the ordinary stamp collector builds his collection, we have no fear. Such portions of the collection we would gladly see offered at auction and we know that there are many admirers of our late president who would have much pride in purchasing a page or a country from this collection to hold intact in their own albums.

The dangerous part of this collection and we use the word dangerous after full thought as to what may be found, are those presentations from foreign governments which came to President Roosevelt as President of the United States and not to Franklin Delano Roosevelt as an American citizen.

As president of the United States, we feel that Mr. Roosevelt should have left these portions of the collection to our own collection of stamps in the Smithsonian or that they should have been prepared for display and placed in the museum at Hyde Park.

These stamps cost the President nothing. His family and his heirs do not need the many thousands of dollars that will come from their sale and the debauching of our hobby by dumping this material on the market will besmirch the name of Franklin D. Roosevelt in Philatelic circles for generations to come.

I have long been an admirer of Franklin D. Roosevelt, I regret that I must lose some of this admiration over a matter that comes so close to my heart, my interest in clean philately. Had this man been a poor man, had his family needed this money, I could in a way, the dumping of this material upon a world of stamp collectors who forgive and forget, but in this instance there is no sound excuse for the dumping of this material upon a world of stamp collectors who are already overburdened with a mess of material that could be weeded out of our postage stamp catalogue to the benefit of our hobby and to the credit of the cataloguers.

I have long been of the belief that our present cataloguers can exert a great control over our collecting desires, by the proper cataloging of postage stamps.

Let us make the start now, let us not further load the catalogue with material that has no place in the catalogue.

There is unquestionably much in this Roosevelt collection that will come within that range. Let us refuse to list it in a catalogue of Postage stamps. Let us define now, once and for all time, just what a Postage stamp is and let us stick to that definition.

We have no bones to pick with those collectors who want to collect, proofs, essays, trial colors and prints or any of the other many offsprings of postage stamps, but we do believe that all such material should be jerked out of the Standard Catalogue of Postage Stamps and given over to the followers of such material to catalogue and collect as they see fit and to their hearts content.

Let us make the Stanrad Catalogue of Postage Stamps a Catalogue of Postage Stamps alone.

Let us first define what a postage stamp is. Let the cataloguers print in bold type in the center of a page at the front of the catalogue a statement to the effect that only regularly issued Postage Stamps are included in the catalogue.

What is a regularly issued postage stamp?

A regularly issued postage stamp is a stamp that has been placed on sale at a postoffice, for sale to and for use by the public.

This definition although brief, covers the actual necessity yet is to be further defined to include legitimate errors and varieties that may be found by the public from such purchases of stamps as they may make at the public postoffices.

With such a definition we would have been spared the issue of the twenty Farley Follies Sheets which milked collectors of millions of dollars. The specimen sheets that were given President Roosevelt, Secretary Ickes and others should have been called proofs. If so called and so listed by the cataloguers, few would have wanted them and collectors of postage stamps would have been spared.

On the other hand, the 5c red error was a legitimate error, found in hundreds of postoffices throughout the country and thus deserving of recognition as a postage stamp.

The Roosevelt collection is filled with gift items from foreign governments, that in the right hands may be manipulated to milk the suckers who will fall for them. Much of this can be avoided if our cataloguers will take a definite stand to clean up the catalogue by removing from its pages everything, other than straight and legitimately issued stamps including found errors and varieties.

The rest of the junk (junk to the dyed in the wool stamp collector) can be put in another book for those who want it.



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Our Precancel Columnist Is Man Without A Town

November 6 was election day all over America and on that date our precancel columnist, Ken Gierhart, of Baltimore, Ohio, became a man without a town.

This so upset Ken that he failed to send a copy for his column last week and as we write this we do not know yet, if his predicament has been remedied. It happened this way. Ken lives in Baltimore, Ohio, which is on one side of the "track." On the other side of the track is another community which has gone by the name of Basil, Ohio.

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more, that the trouble has all been patched up now for at the election of November 6, the citizens of these two communities voted to amalgamate as one community.

The joker about the whole thing, however, is that a new name for the community had not as yet been selected when the merger was voted and thus our columnist is out on a limb.

We presume, however, that he can still be addressed at Baltimore, Ohio, or should we address him at Basil-Baltimore, Ohio.

A card from Ken tells us that a name we suggested some time ago for this new city has been refused and he calls for help in finding a new name.

One thing appears certain, however—we are definitely going to have a new town for the precancel collectors to gather stamps from and one postmaster out of the two that have been serving is going to be out of a job.

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By Pablo M. Esperidion

"Patriotism is an expensive hobby," declared a crippled ex-USAFFE Captain the other day, on learning that your correspondent collects anything on Jose Rizal illustrated on several Philippine stamps. Alluding to subject allusion, consider philately, as for instance—

Guerrillas vs. Gestapo

First guerrilla cover that came to the knowledge of this correspondent is in the collection of Lt. Col. Mamerto M. Buenafe, of the Fil-American Irregular Troops, Manila area, one of the guerrilla units in Manila. Point of origin of subject cover was Gingoog, Misamis, in Mindanao, where underground resistance against the Japs during the occupation was very keen under the command of Col. Wendell W. Fertig, top American guerrilla leader in Mindanao and incidentally a member of the Elizalde Stamp Club, Manila, prior to Pearl Harbor. The cover bears two guerrilla censor marks but no stamp. One censor mark, applied in black by rubber-stamp on the upper-right hand corner of the cover is semi-rectangular with the inscription in three lines in caps reading: "10DIV-10 MD-CENSORED-BY" and preceded by a line over which are written in ink, "G-2" and the censor's initials. Above the first line the figures "6-27-45" are written in ink, supposed to be the date when the cover was mailed. The other censor mark, applied on the lower left-hand side, is oblong with a double frame outside and a single frame inset. It's applied in purple by rubber-stamp and bears the inscription: "TENTH MILITARY DIST. - CENSORED - FREE PHILIPPINES," in caps in three lines. Mention may be made in this connection that the Mindanao guerrilla was officially recognized as the 10th Military District.

Several offers were already made by Manila collectors for subject guerrilla cover but the owner, Lt. Col. Buenafe, being a guerrilla himself, wouldn't kiss goodbye to it at any price. Asked as to his reason, the Colonel said that it was for sentimental reasons as he considers it "a philatelic triumph over the Japs."

Speaking of philatelic triumphs, if by any chance you come across covers or postal cards mailed during the Jap occupation addressed to or from "R. D. Arispia, Sr.," this name was atomic, had the Japs discovered it's real interpretation, "ARISPIA SR.," being the equation of "A Revolution In Stamped Paper Is A Silent Rebellion," one of the memory gems culled from the writings of Jose Rizal (Scott A40), most beloved national hero of the Philippines. Analytically, "ARISPIA SR." is the combination of the first letter of each word in subject memory gem from Rizal's writings.

Slogans vs. Shotguns
Another philatelic guerrilla who was active during the Jap occupation, was in the pseudonym of "F. F. Mofrede," the first "F" of which stands for "Fighter," the second "F" signifies "For," and "Mofrede" is a jumbled word for "Freedom." Thus, "F. F. Mofrede," stands for "Fighter For Freedom."

Perhaps it might be of some interest to mention that among the philatelic underground resistance activities of F. F. Mofrede, was the propagation of "Remember Erlinda," the slogan of the USAFFE boys in the dark days of Bataan. How this slogan was adopted by the USAFFE boys is told in the following version in one of the broadcasts of the "Voice of Freedom" before the fall of Bataan: Erlinda was a beautiful country girl. She was raped by the Japs. Resisting against the animal instincts of the Nips, she met death at the point of a bayonet. Stripped of her clothes, she was found dead and cold in a cave by some of the USAFFE boys while on patrol

duty. Her only identity was verified thru her wrist-chain. It had a plate on which the word "Erlinda" was engraved. From that time on, the USAFFE boys in Bataan thus adopted the slogan—"Remember Erlinda"—in the same spirit and fervor that pulsate with the stirring American war slogan—"Remember Pearl Harbor."

Philatelically, "Remember Erlinda" as a slogan was propagated by F. F. Mofrede in Manila after the fall of Bataan, by mailing to a number of local collectors, several occupation postal cards (2c rose Rizal deleted with black bars) on each of which, a "sales-letter" was written, the text of which reads:

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Above "sales-letter" appears innocent, but reading it acrostically—the first letter of the first word on each line—reveals the slogan, "Remember Erlinda." Just how strict the Jap censors were during the occupation, everybody knew, but the message went through the mails and was duly passed by the Jap censors—the Jap Military Police or better still the Jap Gestapo.

Another verbatim slogan, but this time a philatelic memory gem from the writings of the late President Roosevelt, want also through the mails under the very noses of the Jap censors. Everybody knows, of course, that "The stamp hobby pays rich dividends both as a diversion and as a broadener of one's horizon, and the best of it is that one's interest, far from flagging, increases with the years" was from the prolific pen of the late President Roosevelt; but this philatelic memory gem was "smuggled" in the souvenir cards issued by the MAPEX (Manila Philatelic Exhibition) held on August 19, 1943, during the occupation. It was quoted and preceded with the inverted initials, "RDF" instead of "FDR" and the director of the MAPEX almost faced the Jap firing squad had he not been

smart enough. Incidentally, the MAPEX, to all intents and purposes, was held on August 19, 1943 just to celebrate in "verbotem" the 65th birthday anniversary of the late President Quezon, who at that time was in the United States with the Commonwealth Government in exile. Backed up by its underground patriotic spirit, the MAPEX was a success—not only philatelically but with the "smuggled" philatelic memory gem of FDR and the "verbotem" memorable date of August 19, 1943 for which the guerrillas at the Manila Post Office even conceded an official special cancellation for the MAPEX and thousands of

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KANER; NOT LIDMAN

Starting on page two of our issue of last week is an article on publicizing our hobby. This is credited to Mr. David Lidman of Chicago. The credit is incorrect as the article is by Mr. Walter Kaner, former newspaper columnist of New York who is now in Japan with our armed forces.

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All covers listed are as represented and dates of issue are authentic. All covers are returnable for exchange or refund. Unless otherwise stated Washington, D. C., is the official city on a cover. The earlier covers described in this list do not come up to the standards of the more current emissions and a legible cancellation is considered a perfect specimen. Remittances by check or money order should accompany all orders. Postage is extra on order for less than \$1.00.

Scott No.	Single Block
372 2c Hudson Fulton on cover used in 1909, first year of issue, catalog \$1.25	.40
397 1c Pan Pacific on postal card cancelled in 1915, catalog \$1.00	.25
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645 Syracuse 8/3/27	.50
646 Utica 8/3/27	.50
647 Rome 8/3/27	.50
648 Valley Forge 5/26/28	.25
649 Norristown 5/26/28	.25
650 Philadelphia 5/26/28	.25
651 Lancaster 5/26/28	.25
652 Lancaster Exp. 5/26/28	.25
653 Valley Forge 5/26/28	.25
654 Westchester 5/26/28	.25
655 Molly Pitcher 10/20/28	.50

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849 2c Aero 12/12/28	.25
850 5c Aero 12/12/28	.50
851 15c Hale 5/25/29	.50
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692 11c Hayes 9/4/31	1.25
693 12c Cleveland 8/25/31	1.25
694 13c Harrison 9/4/31	1.25
695 14c Indian 9/8/31	1.25
696 15c Liberty 8/27/31	1.50
697 16c Golden Gate 9/8/31	2.00
698 17c Bison 9/8/31	2.25
701 50c Arlington 9/4/31	.50
702 18c Red Cross 5/21/31	.15
Danville 5/21/31	.15
703 Yorktown	
Wethersfield 10/19/31	.20
Yorktown 10/19/31	.20
716 2c Winter Olympics	
Lake Placid 1/25/32	.15*
717 Arbor Day	
Nebraska City (4/22/32)	.15*
Adams, N. Y. 4/23/32	.25*
(Adams, N. Y., is birth- place of J. S. Morton, founder of Arbor Day.)	
Washington 4/23/32	.25*
718 3c Olympics	
Los Angeles 6/15/32	.25*
719 5c Olympics	
Los Angeles 6/15/32	.25*
3c & 5c on 1 envelope	
Los Angeles 6/15/32	.25
U436 3c Washington Envelope	
Washington 6/16/32	.20*
720 3c Washington	.20*
721 3c Coll Horiz. 6/24/32	.15*
720 B Booklet (Pane 3)	
7/25/32	1.00*
722 3c Coll Vertical 10/12/32	.25*
723 6c Garfield Coll	
Los Angeles 8/18/32	.20
724 William Penn	
Chester 10/24/32	.15
New Castle 10/24/32	.15
Philadelphia 10/24/32	.15
725 Daniel Webster	
Exeter 10/24/32	.15
Franklin 10/24/32	.15
Hanover 10/24/32	.15
726 Oglethorpe	
Savannah 2/12/33	.15
727 Peace Proclamation	
Newburgh 4/19/33	.15*
728 1c Century of Progress	
Chicago 5/25/33	.20*
Cancelled on picture post card of Fair	.10*
729 3c Century of Progress	
Chicago 5/25/33	.25*
728 & 729 on 1 cover	.15
1c Century Prog. Imperf.	
Chicago (pairs) 8/25/33	.40*
731 3c Century of Progress Imperf.	
Chicago 8/25/33	.25*
732 N. R. A. 8/15/33	.15*
N. R. A. 8/17/33	.15
Byrd Perforated 10/9/33	.45*
734 Kosciuszko	
Boston 10/13/33	.25*
Buffalo 10/13/33	.25*
Birmingham 10/13/33	.40*
(Only 6,282 covers were cancelled at Pittsburgh)	
Chicago 10/13/33	.25*
Detroit 10/13/33	.25*
Kosciuszko 10/13/33	.25*
St. Louis 10/13/33	.35*
735 Byrd Imperfate	
New York 2/10/34	.20
(with cachet)	.25
Full Pane of 6 on cover	1.50*
736 Maryland	
St. Mary's City 3/23/34	.15*
737 Mother's Day (Rotary)	
5/2/34	.15*
738 Mothers Day (Flat)	
5/2/34	.20*
739 Wisconsin	
Green Bay 7/7/34	.15*
Washington 7/9/34	.15
41 2c Parks 7/24/34	.20*
Grand Canyon 7/24/34	.20*
42 3c Parks 8/3/34	.15*
Longmire 8/3/34	.20*
43 4c Parks 9/25/34	.25
Mesa Verde 9/25/34	.50
44 5c Parks 7/30/34	.25*
Yellowstone 7/30/34	.30*
45 6c Parks 9/5/34	.20*
Crater Lake 9/5/34	.30*
46 7c Parks 8/2/34	.30*
Bar Harbor 10/2/34	.35*
47 8c Parks 9/18/34	.30*
Zion Park 9/18/34	.40*
48 10c Parks 10/8/34	.40*